Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 27 Oct 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 28 Oct 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 27 Oct 2023 at 03:05 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of any persistent rain on Friday and Saturday. High for drier weather from Sunday with just a few wintry showers.

Headline for Friday 27 Oct 2023: Cloudy with rain at times, drier in the west. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 27 Oct 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Fog	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
40%	60%	40%	30%	40%	60%

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Weather: A mostly cloudy day with rain at times, this mostly across Eastern Ross and Caithness, with heavy outbreaks at times. Western coastal ranges will see more in the way of dry weather and some occasional brightness. Windy on the summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%, best chance along the west coast

Low cloud and visibility: Poor in widespread low cloud across the east of the region down to 400 to 700 metres. Good visibility across the west with only small amounts of cloud above 800 metres.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	51/58 E	48/56 E	44/55 E	43/54 E	41/52 E	42/52 E	39/49 E
900	47/55 E	45/53 E	42/52 E	40/51 E	39/49 E	40/50 E	36/47 E
600	33/40 E	32/40 E	31/41 E	32/43 E	30/40 E	28/40 E	27/38 E
300	7/40 E	8/39 E	10/38 E	9/36 E	10/36 E	11/38 E	10/35 E
Glen	18/37 E	21/40 E	19/37 E	19/38 E	20/38 E	19/36 E	18/35 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	3/-5	3/-5	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6
900	4/-4	4/-4	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4
600	6/-0	6/-0	6/-0	6/-0	5/-1	5/-1	5/-1
300	8/6	8/6	8/6	8/6	7/4	7/4	7/4
Glen	10/7	11/7	11/8	11/8	10/6	10/6	10/6
Freezing Level*	1600m	1600m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong to gale force easterly winds will lead to significant wind chill and slow progress. Drenching conditions developing in rain.

Forecast for Saturday 28 Oct 2023
Weather: Variable amounts of cloud and some showery rain or higher summit snow. Some drier and brighter interludes too. Strong to gale force easterly winds with severe wind chill.

Maximum wind: Easterly gusts 50 to 60 mph on the summits

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%

Low cloud and visibility: Poor in areas of cloud between 700 and 900 metres, this most extensive across the southeast of the region. Periods of good visibility and cloud free summits likely too, especially in the north and west.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 7 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 1000 to 1500 metres

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